

Dr. A. R. Menon.—May I know whether the Member is sufficiently versed in Mathematics to make the statement rightly?

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—May I know whether this will form a matter for the economic survey?

Mr. K. Achyuta Menon.—No. Independent inquiries will be made.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Is it not a fit matter for the economic survey?

President.—It is a matter of opinion.

Printing of Legislative Council Proceedings.

423. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state the last date of the Proceedings of the Legislative Council that has been included in volume-bound form?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—13th August 1932.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know the reason for the delay in the matter?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—There is no delay.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—You have stated that the last date of the Proceedings is 13th August 1932.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Now all the others have been got bound.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know whether without the reports of the previous meeting a satisfactory transaction of business can take place in this House?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—The Proceedings of the first session of this Council is also printed.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—What about the last meeting?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—It is in the press. It is being printed.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will they be printed before this meeting?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—The press is very busy attending to more urgent works.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to expedite the matter in future?

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Certainly.

Average income per head in the State.

424. Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government be pleased to state the daily per head income of the average Cochinite?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—The information is not available, nor is it possible to collect it now in view of the elaborate

enquiry and cost involved in the preparation of statistics, not justified in public interests.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know, Sir, whether the material prosperity of a country is not one of the important considerations of any civilised Government?

President.—It is a matter of opinion.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Is it not one of the important consideration of this Government?

President.—It is a matter of opinion.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—I am asking of this Government.

President.—I cannot allow it as a supplementary question.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Can we have an assurance that the matter will be considered in the economic survey?

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—How do you conciliate this answer with the spirit of the answer to Questions Nos. 425 and 445?

President.—You can form your own opinion.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—May I know the grounds for the Government's finding that the inquiry on the subject would not be justified in public interest?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—Government is of opinion that no useful public purpose will be served.

Population that can command capital.

425. **Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—(a) the number of our population that can command no capital at all;

(b) the number that cannot command any capital above rupees ten at a stretch?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—(a) and (b) Statistics are not available to answer the question.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—How do you account for the necessity of an industrial survey?

President.—We have not come up to Question 426.

Mr. C. A. Ouseph.—Am I to understand that the finding out what is the population that cannot command any capital will not serve a useful purpose?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—It is not possible from the statistics available to get that information.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Will the Government kindly collect the statistics and then answer the question?

Mr. U. Kandar Menon.—There is the large expenditure to be considered. There is going to be an industrial survey and after that survey the information will be available.

Mr. K. M. Ibrahim.—Would you promise that this will be included in the survey?

Dr. A. R. Menon.—Is it possible?